

Developmental Disabilities Council  
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**Issue:** Stipend Policy

Included in this reading:  
Stipend Policy - Draft 2

Background/Summary:

Stipend Policy- Draft 2 reflects the changes from the last Committee meeting.

Action: Discussion

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Developmental Disabilities Council  
Member Stipend Policy  
Draft 2: March 16, 2006

Consistent with the provisions of the federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000, it is the policy of the Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council to offer a stipend to members who is:

- Unemployed or
- Must forfeit wages to attend Council meetings or other Council activities.

A member is free to choose to receive a stipend or not.

The stipend shall be set at \$50.00 per Council meeting (Thursday and Friday) and \$50.00 per Council activity.

The Executive Director must authorize a stipend for a member performing other Council duties prior to the member engaging in the activity.

A Council member who meets the criteria above will be given the opportunity annually to determine if he/she wants to receive a stipend or not. Should member become eligible for a stipend at any time, he or she shall notify the Executive Director.

All stipends will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service and other applicable state or federal agencies. A member receiving a stipend should consult with a financial worker or case resource manager to determine the potential impact the stipend will have on benefits.

A stipend request form must be submitted each time a stipend is requested. The member and the Executive Director must both sign the form and it will be kept on file at the Council office.

Stipends will be paid upon completion of the Council meeting or other Council activity.